

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, July 12, 2011

MINUTES

Present: Donlynn Rice, Pat Roschewski, Brian Halstead, Sharon Katt, Margaret Worth, Russ Inbody, Marilyn Peterson, Gary Sherman, Diane Stuehmer, Scott Swisher, Melody Hobson, Betty VanDeventer, Mary Ann Losh, Mark Schultz, Carol Fichter

Absent: Freida Lange, Joel Scherling, Mike Kozak,

2. Omaha Nation Discussion – Dr. Breed provided an update on the Omaha Nation situation where some have asserted that the school will not be qualified to open in the fall due to lack of teachers and other actions. The Department intends to be supportive and helpful in their efforts to open and operate. If there are difficulties in communicating with Omaha Nation or if you have additional information on the situation, please contact and report to Dr. Breed.

3. Commissioner's Goals – Dr. Breed provided a draft copy of the Commissioner's Goals for July 2011. Dr. Breed asked for comments and input to the goals. The Goals will be presented to the State Board after the July meeting.

Dr. Breed read the letter of resignation from Marilyn Peterson. Dr. Peterson will retire effective January 2, 2012. Dr. Peterson expressed her thoughts and sentiments on her 46 years in education.

4. Administrator Days – Dr. Breed reminded members of the planning and preparing for Administrator Days in August. If you have concerns or questions, please contact Dr. Breed or Dr. Swisher.
5. Consolidating SSOS into LC Meetings and Dissolving SSOS Committee. Dr. Swisher opened discussion on the SSOS.
6. Master Calendar. Marilyn Peterson provided an update and status report on the roll out of the Master Calendar. This is a collection of all NDE forms with due dates. An overview of each month's due dates will be accessible on the first of each month. Also includes NDE activities with a public meetings requirement. Roll out date for the Master Calendar is August 1. Any changes or additions to the forms section, please contact Amy Lempke.
8. NDE SOS Project Update:

Educator Effectiveness – Donlynn Rice provided an update on the educator effectiveness process. (Handout) There is a link on the NDE website.

ELL Rule – Mary Ann Losh provided an update on the draft rule for ELL. Draft presented to the Board as an update. Goal is to have a hearing draft in September, 2011. Aiming for 2012-13 effective date.

State Accountability Plan – Pat Roschewski reported on the status of the plan. Proposed timeline to Board today with next steps. Full board engaged in August. Next steps designated in September with a growth model decided in Spring.

Revision of Rule 84 – No report.

7. Board Follow Up – Leadership Council Members will be notified by email of any board follow up items. Until the new equipment is installed, the Board meeting will not be broadcast but there will be audio taping.
1. Web Page Updating – Shauna Groenewold provided an update on the development of the new website design. All sub departments have been updated. The June 1 deadline was met. Many positive comments were received and the process unfolded extremely well. Web contact managers did an excellent job.
9. All Staff Meeting –
 - Staffing Issues – Salaries (Joel’s email)
 - Math cut scores
 - Timeline for NeSA info
 - Administrator Days
 - Master Calendar
 - Leadership Academy
 - Employee Appreciation

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.